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## \*\*\* Community News Bulletin \*\*\*

## Sen. Brown announces town hall meeting on US-131

**Who:** State Sen. Cameron S. Brown, R-Fawn River Township; Rep. Rick Shaffer,

R-Three Rivers; the St. Joseph County US-131 Corridor Master Planning Committee; and concerned residents and interested parties. Michigan Department of Transportation Deputy Director Kirk Steudle will also be in

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attendance.

What: Town hall meeting regarding MDOT's discontinuation of plans to expand

and improve US-131.

When: Wednesday, Nov. 30

7 p.m.

Where: Three Rivers Community Center

103 S. Douglas Ave.

Three Rivers

**Briefing:** Last month the Granholm administration canceled plans to expand US-131

through St. Joseph County, including a bypass around the village of

Constantine.

The town hall meeting will allow residents of St. Joseph County to ask

questions about why the project was abruptly abandoned.

Brown has been actively involved with the project for more than six years,

dating to his service in the House of Representatives.

As a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Brown helped ensure the project was included in the last two MDOT budgets and has participated in numerous planning meetings to update local officials and

residents.

Concerned members of the public are invited to attend.